



WHAT GOES WHERE?

Reduce contamination and make recycling count. Know what can be recycled, what is garbage, and what needs special handling. Check the back of this poster for where to take Household Hazardous Waste and unwanted items not accepted at the curb.

Not sure about an item? Need help with service? Please give us a call.
Republic Services 425-452-4762
City of Bellevue Utilities 425-452-6932



Put These Items in the Blue Recycling Container.

Do not put items in bags except shredded paper and other plastic bags. NO lids or caps less than 3 inches in size. NO containers that held toxics. NO items listed in the Garbage section of this poster.



Mail, envelopes (windows, staples ok), catalogs. If you can tear it, it is recyclable.
NO plastic wrap or plastic-coated cards.



Paper, newspaper and inserts, folders, receipts, paper and tissue gift wrap.
NO foil gift wrap or ribbon.



Magazines, paperback books, phone books.
NO plastic wrappers.



Paper egg cartons, drink boxes, ice cream cartons, paper containers. Empty and rinse.
NO straws.



Paper food boxes. Remove liners and flatten.
NO soap residue, plastic handles or metal spouts.



Juice and milk cartons. Empty and rinse.



Cardboard. Flatten. Size limit: 3'x 3' or smaller when flattened.



Clean paper and plastic cups. Remove lids. Empty and rinse.
NO straws.



Lids 3 inches or larger. Remove from containers and rinse.



Plastic plant pots. Empty and rinse.



All plastic containers. Empty and rinse. Remove lids.
NO containers that held toxics, like pesticides or motor oil. NO plastic packaging.



Clear and colored glass bottles and jars. Empty and rinse. Remove lids. Labels ok. **NO drinking glasses, dishes, ceramics or window glass.**



Plastic grocery bags and bubble wrap. Stuff into one plastic bag and tie securely. **NO single bags, receipts, food residue or food wrap.**



Shredded paper. Put in a clear or see-through plastic bag. Tie a secure knot.
NO loose shredded paper.



Plastic 5-gallon buckets. Empty and rinse. Remove lids.
NO metal handles.



Aluminum and tin cans, clean foil and pie pans. Empty and rinse. Labels ok.



Scrap metals. Size limit: 2' in any direction, less than 35lbs.
NO greasy metal, wood, rubber or plastic.



Put These Items in the Green Yard Debris Cart.

They'll be recycled into compost at Cedar Grove Composting www.cedar-grove.com
NO plastic bags, ashes, pet waste, or pet litter, glass, foil, garbage, liquids, metals, plastics, rocks or Styrofoam.

Yard Debris



Leaves, grass clippings, weeds, plant trimmings, house plants, flower bouquets, branches (less than 4" in diameter and 4' in length). Bundles of branches that don't fit in Yard Debris Cart can be set next to cart. Bundles must be less than 2' in diameter, 4' in length and tied with biodegradable string.



Food Scraps - All solid food leftovers



Coffee grounds and filters, tea bags, eggshells and nutshells.



Meat and fish scraps (including bones), table scraps.

Food-Soiled Paper



Food-soiled cardboard (plastic or aluminum coating removed), paper towels, plates and napkins, paper food wrap, pizza boxes (grease on box ok), paper grocery bags containing food scraps.



Bread, pasta and grains, cheese and dairy scraps.



Fruit and vegetable scraps.



Put These Items in the Grey Garbage Cart.

Please bag loose items. NO TVs, computer equipment, cell phones (see Household Recycling on back). NO button batteries, fluorescent lights, thermometers or thermostats with mercury, wet paint, or other hazardous waste. NO yard debris or liquids.



Lids, caps and tops less than 3 inches wide. (Small lids get stuck in recycling machinery.)



Styrofoam peanuts. Put in bag, reuse or take to a mailing store.



Styrofoam packaging, cups, clam shells, meat trays, egg cartons and other shapes.*



Plastic packaging, magazine wrappers, food bags, foil pouches and bags, waxed paper.



Dry out latex paint with kitty litter or hardener. Leave lid off.



Plastic garbage bags, zip-type bags.



Toiletry tubes, makeup, mirrors.



Ribbon, foil and clear gift wrap, bags with rope handles.



Empty containers that held toxic products, like pesticides and motor oil, empty aerosol cans.



Prescription vials, household batteries,* CDs, hangers* (many dry cleaners take hangers back), light bulbs (put in bag). **NO fluorescent bulbs or tubes.**



Cat litter or pet waste. Put in bag and tie shut.



Cigarette butts and ashes. Put in bag and tie shut.



Diapers. Put in bag and tie shut.



Glassware, ceramic plates and cups, plastic plates and utensils.

*Some of these items may be accepted at Bellevue's Special Collection Events. See back of poster.

Household Recycling at the Curb

Small Electronics must be less than 2 feet in any direction and less than 60 lbs. Bag items in a securely closed plastic bag and mark “Electronics.” Larger items do not need to be bagged. Set near (not in) your Blue Recycling Cart.

Cell phones
Computers/accessories/printers
Fax machines
Radios and stereos
TVs (screens 21” or less)

Small Appliances must be less than 2 feet in any direction and less than 35 lbs. Place in a securely closed plastic bag marked “Appliances.” Set near (not in) your Blue Recycling Cart.

Blenders
Coffee makers
Food processors
Hair dryers and curling irons
Microwaves, toasters
Irons



Clothing and Linens – Clothing, scarves, hats, belts, blankets and bedspreads, draperies, curtains, paired shoes (rubber band together), purses, backpacks, totes, wallets, stuffed animals.

Items must be clean, dry, non-moldy, and useable. No shoes with sharp heels, skates, slippers, or mattresses. Place in a securely closed plastic bag marked, “Clothing” near (not in) your Blue Recycling Cart.

Getting Rid of Stuff

Batteries
Call the City of Bellevue at 425-452-6932 or check http://www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Utilities/Battery_recycling.pdf

Household Hazardous Waste
Take Household Hazardous Waste such as antifreeze, fluorescent bulbs and tubes, garden chemicals, mercury-containing products (thermometers, button batteries, etc.), oil-based paint, propane tanks, etc. to:

King County’s Factoria Transfer Station Household Hazardous Waste Site
13800 SE 32nd St., Bellevue 206-296-4692
Call to see what hours/days Household Hazardous Waste is accepted.

Large, Bulky Items
For large, bulky items such as mattresses and appliances, check King County’s database at www.kingcounty.gov/whatdoidowith or call the City of Bellevue Utilities at 425-452-6932 (also see Special Collection Events below).

Special Collection Events
The City of Bellevue holds two Special Collection Events a year – usually in the spring and fall - that take large appliances and other items (some fees apply). Watch for fliers in the mail or call the City of Bellevue Utilities at 425-452-6932 for details.

Medical Needles or “Sharps”
Medical needles or sharps can be put in the garbage, if prepared properly. Put in a rigid, puncture-proof container less than 1 gallon in size. Empty 2-liter pop bottles or 1-gallon milk jugs are acceptable when capped, taped, and labeled “Do Not Recycle.” Call Republic for more information. For other options, check with your pharmacy or doctor. Visit www.sharpsinc.com for more information.

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Single-Family Recycling Guide



Resources

Republic Services 425-452-4762
www.republicservices.com/site/bellevue

City of Bellevue 425-452-6932
www.bellevuewa.gov/recycling-garbage-residents.htm

Factoria Transfer Station (the dump) 206-296-4466 Call for hours.
13800 SE 32nd St., Bellevue
<http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/facilities/transfer.asp>

Goodwill 425-649-2080
14515 NE 20th St., Bellevue

Houghton Transfer Station 206-296-4466
11724 NE 60th St., Kirkland

Household Hazardous Waste 206-296-4692
www.lhwmp.org/home/

Unwanted Medicine Return Program
www.medicinereturn.com/unwanted/www/return-your-medicines

“What Do I Do With” King County Database
www.kingcounty.gov/whatdoidowith

Your Curbside Service

Put all containers out before 7 AM on your collection day. Please remove containers from the curb within 24 hours after collection. If you are unsure about your collection day, call Republic Services.

Missed Collections – Call Republic Services at 425-452-4762
Call before 6 PM, and collection will be by 8 PM the same day. If you call after 6 PM on a weekday, materials will be collected the next business day. If you call after 6 PM on a Friday, materials will be collected the following Monday.

Missed Collections in Bad Weather
Republic Services trucks weigh 60,000 pounds and slide easily on icy roads. If your street is missed due to bad weather, take materials back in. Extra materials will be collected at no extra charge the next collection day (a week later). Put excess materials in a temporary container, such as a box or paper bag, marked “Garbage,” “Recycling,” or “Yard Debris.”

No Collection on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year’s Day
If your collection day is on or after one of these holidays, collection will be one day later. For example, if your scheduled collection day is Thursday (Thanksgiving), collection will be Friday, Friday customers will have collection on Saturday.

No Charge for Extra Recycling
Put any excess recyclables in paper bags or boxes marked “Recycling” and place near the Blue Recycling Cart.

Garbage
There is an extra charge for garbage that doesn’t fit into the garbage can with the lid closed or for overweight containers. For example, a 32-gallon garbage can weighing over 55 lbs.

Yard Debris – Up to 192 Gallons Accepted Weekly
In addition to one 96-gallon Green Yard Debris Cart (200 lb. weight limit), three 32-gallon containers or paper yard debris bags (55 lb. weight limit each) can be set out weekly. Materials over this weekly limit will cost extra. If using 32-gallon containers, mark “Yard Debris.” Call Republic or check website for a list of stores that carry paper yard debris bags and approved reusable yard debris bags.

Recycle Christmas Trees
Yard debris customers can set Christmas trees out on their scheduled collection day. Trees should be free of flocking, tinsel, ornaments, and hangers; cut into 4 foot lengths and tied into bundles less than 2 feet wide. Use biodegradable string; no nylon/plastic. Put flocked trees in the garbage.

Wind Storm Debris
Put storm debris in your Green Yard Debris Cart or prepare the same as Christmas trees (see above) and set out on your regular collection day. No branches over 4 inches in diameter or 4 feet in length. Volume limitations apply.

For information in Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese, please visit: www.bellevuewa.gov/recycling-garbage-residents.htm

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<http://www.bellevuewa.gov/recycling-garbage-residents.htm>

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<http://www.bellevuewa.gov/recycling-garbage-residents.htm>

Для получения информации на русском языке пройдите по ссылке
<http://www.bellevuewa.gov/recycling-garbage-residents.htm>

Para obtener información del servicio en español, vaya a
<http://www.bellevuewa.gov/recycling-garbage-residents.htm>

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